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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE: APPLICATION OF)
R. DAVID LEWIS, ET AL.) IMPROVED FACE MASK FOR SELF
SERIAL NO. 08/911,341) CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS
FILING DATE: AUGUST 14, 1997)
EXAMINER: ASHER)
ART UNIT: 3735)
HONORABLE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS

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In response to the office action mailed February 4, 1999,
please amend the above identified patent application as follows:

In the claims:

Cancel claims 4, 14 and 15.

Amend the claims as follows:

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1 (Amended). In a face mask for use with a self contained
breathing apparatus, said face mask comprising a frame having a top
and a bottom, a transparent face plate within said frame, a face
seal fixed to said frame and surrounding said face plate, a nose
cup within said face seal and towards said bottom of said frame,
and strap means for holding said face mask to ¹¹²(the face of a user)
the improvement wherein said strap means comprises a head piece
having a top end adjacent to said top end of said frame and a
¹¹²bottom end adjacent to said bottom end of said frame, a first